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\$3,000 of New Boots and Shoes
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Meeting of The Blairmore Council

Secretary-Treasurer Appointed

The regular meeting of the Blairmore town council was held on Monday night, all the councillors and the Mayor being present.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted, after which the following correspondence was read:

West Canadian Collieries, in reply to letter of the Secretary-Treasurer asking re title deeds of properties offered for fire hall and nuisance ground sites, stating that said offer was good only for 10 days after the date of writing, that fire hall site was same as stipulated in original offer, but that the nuisance ground comprising about five acres, would be subject to lease of \$1.00 per acre for a period of 20 years with option for extension of that period.

J. R. Irwin reported for the light department, which report was received.

A letter from chief Hall, of the Fernie city police, in reply to letter from the Secretary-Treasurer asking that several instruments belonging to the town of Blairmore and held by some Italians at Fernie be collected and forwarded to Blairmore. Mr. Hall stated that two instruments had been collected and were being forwarded, but that the parties who held them claimed five dollars each which they stated had to be paid by them a year or two ago to get the instruments out of bond at Frank. Similar claims have been made by other members of the 1911-12 band, and upon motion by Beebe-Drain, the Secretary-Treasurer was authorized to pay that amount to any party returning an instrument who could produce a receipt for having paid such amount.

John Perrie, of the department of municipal affairs, asking particulars as to why debentures were being issued by the town for what he understood to be to meet liabilities or payments on existing debentures, and which he claimed would be very unbusinesslike. The Mayor replied to Mr. Perrie's letter, stating that the said new sale of debentures was for extensions of water system.

Brent, Noxon & Co., re option on debentures. Same was placed on file, the time allowed for such option—fourteen days—having already expired.

Secretary of the Department of the Interior, replying to letter of Secretary-Treasurer re title of Little to cemetery property.

L. F. Clarry, deputy attorney general, in reply to letter of Secretary-Treasurer in re death of John Capetam, who was killed while driving between Blairmore and Frank. The Town was informed that it was up to the town of Frank to see to placing of a light near the point where the accident occurred, as it was just outside of the Blairmore limits.

A. E. Gibson, of the W. A. Henderson Co., stating that he could not see his way clear to come up to Blairmore for a while, and that if any information was required, he would endeavor to furnish same.

Three letters were received from Messrs. Nay & James, Regina, referring to debenture bonds.

The following accounts were ordered paid:

C. P. R., for labor in connection with the laying of pipe line under the tracks, in November last \$2.83; Blairmore Hardware Co. \$4.95; Guarantee Novelty Co. \$1.25; W. L. Shera \$24.42; George Patterson \$50; Post office \$3.60; John Joy \$9.00; C. P. R. Telegraphs \$4.80; Union Bank interest on debentures \$2,778.00; P. H. Ford Stationers \$1.25; W. A. Henderson & Co. \$45.00, being balance of fee for auditing books for year ending December 31st. 1122 \$25.35, auditing books of school district 628 \$5.00, checking cash entry and transfer books from Secretary-Treasurer Shera to J. R. Irwin and expenses \$15.00; R. Smallwood \$11.75; R. M. Cement Co. for January light \$19.00. The latter bill was subjected to considerable deduction on account of lights out and poor service, the amount struck off being in the neighborhood of \$10.00.

Sinclair-Drain—That matter of fire hall site and nuisance ground be left to the Works and Property Committee to report.

Beebe-Drain—That verbal resignation of W. L. Shera be accepted. Three applications for the office of Secretary-Treasurer were received from C. Hiscocks, W. H. Chapell and H. G. Berry.

Brisco-Hinds—That applications received and balloted on. Ballot resulted in the election of Chas. Hiscocks to the office of Secretary-Treasurer of the Town of Blairmore.

No other business, the meeting adjourned at 9.35.

Hockey at Frank

The game of Cowley "scrubs" versus the Frank "scrubs" on the Frank ice Tuesday night proved to be one of the best games of hockey for the season. The so-called Cowley team were partly residents of the sun-kist hills of Beaver Mines, but were evidently necessary to keep back the bat of the Frank pickup.

The game was refereed in a capable manner by H. Gunn, the big polo gun of Cowley. Gunn saw the ice and the players on several occasions, and proved his ability as a pitcher and good marksman to great advantage. However some of fair beauties of which Frank poses to be the haven, gently warned Mr. Referee that this was not the season for baseball or the right kind of soil for polo.

Danny Dunlop proved capable of enduring the trials of a punching bag or a hand satchel. Danny bounced on the ice several times while being gently conveyed from his "off-side" to his wounded position by Mr. Referee, and also suffered several slight punches in the "mug" during other periods of the game. Danny is a total abstainer, but gets it in the mug sometimes.

The game resulted in a score of 3 to 3 in favor of the Frank "scrubs."

For a sprain you will find Cham Berlin's Liniment excellent. It always the pain, removes the soreness, and soon restores the parts to a healthy condition. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by all dealers.

Married versus Single

A second game of hockey was played between Lyon's "lions" and Baker's "beauties" on the Blairmore rink on Tuesday night, which resulted in a score of 7-2 in favor of the singles.

This game was played for a wager of a "chicken supper," and it is now amusing to measure the length of faces worn by the old married stiffs as against the extremely swelled chests and puffed countenances of the otherwise poor bachelors.

At the rink all the ladies, save the few who claimed title to bachelors in the swim, seemed to cast their sympathies toward the bachelors and ninety-nine tenths of the meeting was for the fellows who yet had to raise courage to achieve a real other than that found in hockey.

Two goals were scored by the married men, and as would be expected, the net was on both occasions discovered by explorer Bigelow.

Dawson claims to have seen new lands, new peoples and even new Presbyterian churches, such as never before dreamed of in Blairmore, but during a period of suspension following a rear and collision with Blairmore's chief of police.

The lineups were as follows:

Married	Goal	Single
Brisco	goal	Lewis
Dawson	point	Benson
Lyon	c. point	Irwin
Hinds	right wing	Tait
Bigelow	left wing	Roy
Campbell	rover	Pickney
Morency	centre	Baker

Christmas Tree Report

The citizens committee which had in hand the arranging of the Christmas tree for the children of Bellevue wish to make public the following report:

RECEIPTS
Collected from employees W.C.C. Co. \$351.75; Maple Leaf Co. \$25; Residents of Bellevue and Maple Leaf. \$92.00. Total receipts, \$500.75.

EXPENDITURES
Cost of Toys, \$374.25; Candies, Nuts, etc., \$61.20; By Expense. (purchasing toys) \$15.00; By Expense (entertainment) \$8.00; By Expense (cartage) \$5.00. Deficit owing to Mr. Burnett from 1910, paid, \$28.00. Total expenditure, \$486.75. Balance on hand \$15.00. The balance of \$15.00 to be donated to the school board to be used as rewards of merit for the scholars in Bellevue school.

Signed, Arthur J. Kelly, Sec.

W. H. Irwin, Asst. Sec.

Dr. Shearer addressed the ladies of Fernie on the living issues in moral reform in the Presbyterian church on Monday afternoon. In the evening his address was to men. Dr. Shearer reaches a large number of people who don't need any reform themselves and who are not equal to the contract of going out into the highways and lowways and reforming those who would stand a little fixing. Doc's strong suit is to make 'em good. This is probably better than no policy at all.—Fernie Free Press.

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Town of Blairmore

AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLAIRMORE.

GENTLEMEN:— We beg to report that we have made an audit of the accounts of your town during the past year and that all our requirements as Auditors have been complied with.

The accompanying Statements, viz:

Balance Sheet.
Revenue and Expenditure Capital Account.
Revenue and Expenditure Current Account.
Cash Abstract.
Statement of Debenture Debt.

have been examined by us and are in our opinion properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the town's affairs as shown by the books of the town and other information.

Matters connected with the bookkeeping and the cash have already been reported to the Mayor, all of which is submitted.

W. A. HENDERSON & CO.
Chartered Accountants.
Lethbridge, Alberta.
January 27th, 1913.

General Balance Sheet for Year Ending 31st December, 1912

ASSETS
Accounts Receivable
Arrears of Taxes.....\$779.69
Water Customers.....
Accounts in Arrear.....204.65
Fine Monies to be returned by government.....128.00
Inventories
Office Furniture.....161.40
Police Supplies.....150.00
Waterworks Supplies.....15.00
317.00

Capital Expenditure
Waterworks Construction.....52921.37
Fire Equipment.....1267.65
Railway Crossing.....50.00
Sidewalk Construction.....163.65
Street Lamps.....240.00
Cemetery.....200.35
54729.02

Overexpended on Debenture
Monies
Waterworks Construction.....14921.37
Debenture Monies Unexpended
Fire Equipment.....3542.35
Nominal Surplus of

Liabilities over assets 1640.16
64,823.52

LIABILITIES
Debentures Outstanding 45,000.00
Interest Accrued to date 2413.10
Accounts payable.....1691.64
Bank Overdraft.....5903.00
School Appropriation
Unpaid and Arrears.....10017.32
Water Consumers Acc'ts
Paid in Advance.....98.40
Total 19323.52

Grand Total 64,823.52

Revenue and Expenditure For The Year Ending December 31st, 1912

Current Account

REVENUE

Taxation for 1912.....13731.68
License and Police
License.....1637.25
Poll Taxes.....628.80
Fines.....727.50
Dog Taxes.....415.00
Pound.....1.0
3,409.65
Water
Customers Accounts 1635.05
Other Revenue.....219.95
2,099.60

Finance
Accrued Interest on.....
Debentures.....332.25
Int. on Savings Accts.....19.08
Total 351.33

Grand Total 19,504.38

EXPENDITURE

Works and Property
Sidewalk Repairs.....249.08
Street Maintenance.....238.30
Repairs to Buildings
Bridge Repairs.....21.50
Total 565.33
License and Police
Salary of Constable.....1655.00
Expenses.....55.30
1,420.30

Health and Relief
Health Officers Salary
Sept-Dec.....83.32
Charity.....111.45
Expenses.....3.00
197.77

Fire and Light
Street Lighting.....611.40
Firemen's Wages.....267.50
Expenses.....8.00
886.90

Waterworks
Share of Sec-Trens.....
Salary.....543.07
General Repairs.....23.50
Repairs to Connections 108.15
Sundries.....50
675.22

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Arrears of Taxes.....7,799.69
Arrears of Water Consumers Accounts.....204.65
Fine Monies in hands of Government.....128.00
Overexpended on Debenture Issues.....14,921.37
Capital Expenditure for which no debenture provision has yet been made
Railway Crossings 50.00
Sidewalk Constr'n 169.65
Street Lamps.....240.00
Cemetery.....200.35 600.00
Surplus on Current Account.....238.84
23,605.57

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Share of Sec'y Trens.
Salary.....533.08
Printing, Stationery.....312.25
Interest and Discount 245.65
Election Expenses.....148.40
Office and General Expenses.....535.15
School District (No. 625) 7084.00
Village Arrears.....3123.50
Written off Arrears of Taxes.....106.02
Interest on Debentures
Accrued.....2476.60
Total 15446.11

Grand Total 18891.63

Balance being Surplus for year.....613.03

Capital Account 10,504.60

REVENUE

Proceeds of Debentures
Sold.....42,750.00
Balance Overexpended 11,370.02
54,120.02

EXPENDITURE

Waterworks Construction.....52,921.37
Fire Equipment.....1,267.65
54,120.02

MEMO OF BALANCE

Overexpended on Water Works.....14,921.37
Underexpended on Fire Hall.....3,542.35
Balance.....11,370.02

Abstract Showing Cash Liabilities As At 31st December, 1912, and Assets To Meet Same

CASH LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable.....1,691.64
School Appropriation
Unpaid.....10,017.35
Bank Overdraft.....5,693.60
Accrued Interest on Debentures.....2,413.10
Water Consumers Accounts paid in advance 98.40
Debenture Monies Unexpended.....3,542.35
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SUMMARY

Capital Account:
Expenditure for which no provision has been made 600.00
Amounts overexpended 14,921.37
Less unexpended funds 3,542.35
Due Current Account 11,370.02

Current Account:
Liabilities as above 19,823.52
Less Assets as above 8,123.34
11,695.18

Surplus on Current Account.....238.84

STATEMENT OF DEBENTURE DEBT

Purpose of Debentures
Waterworks Construction Jan. 1, 12 \$80,000 62 1/2 %
\$8,000 6 1/2 %
Fire Hall & Equipment Jan. 1, 12 20
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NOTICE TO STEAM ENGINEERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that examinations will be held at the undermentioned places by N. Marshall, a duly appointed Inspector of Steam Boilers for the Province of Alberta.

Lethbridge, February 28th and March 1st.

Blairmore, March 3rd and 4th, Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Fincher Creek, March 6th, Arlington Hotel.

MacLeod, March 7th, City Hall.

at 9 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of giving Engineers and Apprentices an opportunity of qualifying for Certificates under the provision of the Boilers Act, 1912.

Persons not already registered in the Province who desire Application Forms, may obtain same by applying to the Department, or the above named Inspector, and such Application Form must be properly filled out, witnessed, and declared to before a Commissioner or Justice of the Peace before an examination can be granted.

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Happenings in and Around Bellevue

Nurse Shone was a visitor in Bellevue from Coleman on Monday.

Mrs. William Chappell has returned from an extended visit to Medicine Hat.

Mrs. William Rutherford, of Coalhurst, is visiting Mrs. William Cole here for a few days.

We are pleased to see Frank Blosely around again and recovered from the effects of his recent accident.

Next Sunday night Mr. Irwin will preach by special request on "Scientific Immortality." Discussion invited.

Miss McCrury has returned from her home in Cape Breton to take charge of Bellevue's intermediate school.

William Christie went to Calgary on Friday evening, having severed his connections with the W. C. C. Co. here.

A large contingent went from Bellevue to Coleman to play billiards on Thursday night. They returned in the morning.

Mr. and Mrs. James Callan and family have returned to town from Red Deer. Mr. Callan has resumed the proprietorship of the Bellevue hotel.

Two entertainments are on the Bellevue boards for next week, a basket social will be held in the church on Monday night and a masquerade ball in the Socialist hall on Friday night.

C. Bryce Miller is conducting a big sale at J. B. Rodd's store, Maple Leaf, bills announcing the fact have been circulated. Sale commences on Monday next and lasts three days only.

A reorganization meeting of the Bellevue brass band will be held at the home of Geo. W. Goodwin on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Mr. Goodwin will be glad to know of any musicians in or around Bellevue who would be interested.

The following appeared at the court in Macleod last week as witnesses in the Ouzet shooting case, John Shone, William Connors, H. B. Hinelein, Thomas Wright, Alex. Moorhead and Dr. Mackenzie.

A fall of coal from the roof of the mine last Friday nearly cost the life of John Allanbe. He was hurled down the chute with a great weight of coal on top of him. His collar bone was broken, and he was otherwise badly hurt. He will be laid up for some time.

Sam Shone and the West Canadian Collieries Co. have severed connections with each other. John R. Macdonald, former superintendent here, took over charge of the mine on Tuesday. Mr. Macdonald's many friends, and especially those of the sporting fraternity, will be glad to welcome him back.

Unfortunately the editorial in the Bellevue Times of last week on the conditions in the Bellevue school board's business was somewhat out of statistics. The main issue however, that the old board left its business in deplorable shape is true to facts. It is time that the ratepayers of Bellevue awakened to the situation and took greater interest in how their money is spent and how capable the men are who handle it.

Here is a message of hope and good cheer from Mrs. C. J. Martin, Boone Mill, Va., who is the mother of eighteen children. Mrs. Martin was cured of stomach trouble and constipation by Chamberlain's Tablets after five years of suffering, and now recommends these tablets to the public. Sold by all dealers.

Happenings in and Around Blairmore

Thos. Frayer returned from an extended trip north on Sunday last.

N.S. Nerwich, of the District Ledger, Fernie, was in Blairmore on Sunday.

C Sansom, inspector of public schools, visited the Blairmore school this week.

Dunlop claims that a "loaded gun" should never be commissioned on hockey ice.

The Misses MacDonald, of Coleman, came down to spend Sunday with friends in town.

Traver's "Mind Disaster" on Friday night at the opera house proved a good drawing card.

The F. M. Thompson Co. are putting on another mammoth sale commencing Saturday the 15th.

Bills Ryan, until recently repairer for the local telephone exchange, has moved to Bethbridge.

FOR SALE CHEAP—One Peerless Incubator and Brooder. Phone 67, or apply Blossomwood Ranch, Frank.

W. H. Chappell, Jr., of Bellevue, was up working his way through the busy throngs on Victoria Street last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Shera went to Macleod on Saturday and on Monday took their departure from that point to Vancouver.

The attendance at Monday night's meeting of the council was smaller than usual, only the ring-side seats being occupied.

The ladies hockey team decided not to go to Dunnmore, because the men were lacking in their desire for company for so long a trip.

On their second visit for the season to Calgary, the Taher Cooks were last week defeated by the Shermans by the small margin of 8-6.

Mr. L. Thorne, manager of the brick department of the Keystone Cement Co., paid a business visit to Fernie and other western points last week.

A great many citizens availed of the extra good clipping of Sunday and every self runner in the Metropolis were brought into competition.

The Blairmore boys played a friendly game of hockey with the lady septette on Saturday night, which resulted in a victory for the ladies in a score of 7 to 5.

FOR SALE—Pure-bred Bronze Turkeys and Gobbles for breeding purposes. Also Barred Rock Cockerels. Apply to Blossomwood Ranch, Frank, or phone 67.

At the opera house on Monday night a special moving picture feature depicting life in the Chinese quarters and opium dens of San Francisco drew a large crowd.

W. S. Stanley, of the Coleman Bulletin, came down to the Metropolis on Sunday. He wanted his picture taken, but our famous cartoonist refused to violate the Sabbath.

J. Barrington Reilly, vice-president and managing director of the Rocky Mountain Cement Co., was in town during the week to confer with the town council regarding the lighting system.

There was a big attendance at the local opera house last night to witness the popular play "The Rosary," and everyone are vouching that the production outclasses anything ever produced in this district.

The pie social given by the ladies' hockey team on Monday night was a fair success, and a good sum was realized towards

the fund for defraying the expenses of the team's proposed trip to Ottawa.

Thomas Kennedy, contractor, who lost his right arm a little over a fortnight ago by falling beneath a moving train at Coleman, has sufficiently recovered to come out of hospital. He came to Blairmore on Monday.

The death occurred on Monday night, at Calgary, of Patrick James Nolan, one of the best known barristers in Western Canada. Mr. Nolan was in his 48th year and his death followed but a week's illness.

The election of Mr. Hisecks to the office of Secretary-Treasurer of the Town of Blairmore is one that assures considerable satisfaction. Mr. Hisecks' past record and credentials are a guarantee that the work of that office will be ably handled by him.

In our account of the Single versus Married hockey game last week we omitted crediting Mr. F. E. Hinds with a share of good checking. In justice to Frankie, we will state that he has never been known to pass a bad check, not even up-hockey.

A basket social and concert will be held at Hillcrest on Monday night next under the auspices of the Hillcrest Football Club. A fine programme has been arranged, consisting of vocal and instrumental selections and a side-line for the good edifies.

It pays to advertise! A couple of weeks ago, Mrs. Jas Burrows lost a small gold watch while returning home from the opera house. She put an advertisement in this paper, with the result that the lost article was returned to her in less than an hour after publication.

Mr. Harshaw, divisional superintendent of the Medicine Hat-Cranbrook division of the C. P. R., was in town last week to confer with the town fathers re the opening up of Ninth Avenue crossing and the closing of Twelfth Avenue. Such a step seems to be accepted favorably by all people living in the south-east part of the town.

Blairmore's first street car passed east through the town last week. The new car is entirely unlike those of any of the behind-the-tires class, being constructed as to leave the commissioning of an electric current or the presence of street rails unnecessary. The new car is drawn by horses of the Shetland type and besides the regular seating accommodation has a suite of small rooms in which our fairest of fair may repair to relax their heads by the debonair of the fearful "brat."

Sentence for Wounding

Macleod, Feb. 7—Blazy Ouzet, the Bellevue miner and his adopted son, who were remanded on Wednesday last on a charge of shooting Thomas Wright in the leg and obstructing the police in the execution of their duty were before the District court again today.

Ouzet was found guilty on both charges and sentenced to two years' imprisonment on each charge, the sentence to run concurrently.

The boy was discharged and the judge directed that he should be handed over to the Children's Aid Society for a term of four years.

In passing sentence, Judge Crawford made some very severe remarks about the many shooting and stabbing affairs which are constantly taking place in the Pass and drew attention to the danger to which the police are exposed in consequence.

Happenings in and Around Burmis

Last week we decided to give Mr. Mills' address at the Conservative smoker more fully than time permitted at that time, so here it is:

The first thing of importance in the development of the Pass was in the year 1886, when Capt. Steele, in command of a troop of mounted police, cut a trail through to Fort Steele, returning two years later to Fort Macleod.

At this time the only settlers in this district were Old Man Lee, who lived where Parker's ranch is now, Wall Eddy, Jack Johnson, Garret Bros., Lionel Brook and myself, all living this side of the South Fork.

The first discoverer of coal in this section was Mr. Lee who had his field of oats at that time where Blairmore now stands and he opened up the Maple Leaf mine. His further discoveries were all in the South Fork and the Frank sulphur springs, where he built in the year 1887.

At this time Dan Wassenaar and myself were working the line for the Pincher Creek settlers. The next coal to be discovered was the Coal Creek field by Mr. Fernie, who was financed by C. L. Baker and acquired many acres of land at one dollar an acre. At that time they had to come into Pincher Creek for their food making the journey in the winter on snow shoes, and in the summer with pack-horses, generally staying over at my place or at Mr. Lee's.

In 1891 the C. P. R. sent in their engineer Lumsden and a stretch of road along the Middle Fork was built, work being suspended until they knew more about the country they were passing through and with this object in view they sent a party to Fernie to bring out coal samples in the year 1895. This party consisted of Mr. Stafford, of Lethbridge, Sam Berry and myself. We journeying in on pack horses, bringing out ten sacks, taking them to Lethbridge to be shipped to Montreal. The samples turning out good, the C. P. R. then constructed their line to Fernie, at the same time making very rich men of Fernie and C. L. Baker.

Mr. Lyon was then installed in Blairmore as operator, and seeing the possibilities of the place soon went into business for himself where as we all know he has been awarded the highest honor that could be conferred by the township, i.e. Sen Gelo and Mr. Frank then came looking for likely positions in the coal line, and Geo., taking an option on the present Davenport property at Dunb, sunk a slope a matter of 400 feet, subsequently abandoning this project in favor of the Frank property that at that time had been held and was discovered by Pincher. The purchase from him was \$4000.00, and he went ahead with development work, reaching a shipping total of 1000 tons a day when the Frank slide occurred. In the meantime I had located Hillcrest and taken in as part of C. P. Hill, and the day I saw the slide I gave up the interest and Mr. Hill went through with it with the result everyone knows. Messrs. Fishburn, Procter and Mackenzie then took up the Blairmore coal, selling afterwards to Pluto who opened up the property about the same time that Coleman was opened up by Mr. Ggior. After this coal field went begging for a while. I sold some at one dollar an acre thus showing how green I was in the early days. Frank Byron located Byron Creek, Joe Little dug up Passburg, and the end is not yet as there are many acres of coal lands on the South Fork waiting for the necessary capital to open up and the advent of railroad facilities. We in Burmis have every reason to look forward to a very bright future for the town. When the railroads do build in, a thing that will be accomplished in the near future, when the several coal properties open out, and other resources that are in our midst are developed, Burmis will be a veritable gateway to the Pass.

The order of Guzzaks met and since politics had somewhat butted into their interests the president considered that in view of the numerous questions that had been asked up to the merit or otherwise of our president M. P. E. he would do well to quote Charlie's creed and without entering into any arguments let the

members decide what manner of man they had watching their interests. It was as follows:—

I believe in Charlie O'Brien.
I believe in boosting the Socialist cause, because it pays me.
I believe in collecting dinner money wherever I can according to the dictum of Jim Carnes.
I believe in being a cheap martyr.
I believe in fortnightly pay, but prevented the motion in the house.
I believe in hoodwinking my supporters, because I must have a few electoral planks for practical purposes.
I believe in labor, because it provides capital for me.
I believe in bawling out all churches, because it is part of the propaganda I am paid to advertise.
I believe in birch days. They got me in touch with the big boys who are too busy to hear me speak.
I believe in any old thing that adds to my banking account.
I believe in Charles O'Brien, Esq., M. P. E.

In reply to questions as to how we could be assured of useful representation in the house, obtain all the bona fide practical proposals, and get what we pay for in taxes, it was pointed out that only by a combined effort of Anti-Socialist against Socialist could this come about.

The bridge over the Old Man River has been deserted, and in explanation it was shown that either the literary party did not figure on an election for the time being and so were saving it as a plank in their Burmis platform, or their credit was so bad that they could not provide the necessary funds to complete the work.

We regret that Mr. J. Adams met with an accident on Monday last. He was shovelling coal out of his Cesspool when a fall of the roof occurred, part of the falling material causing him to lose his back. He was attended in the mine by Dr. B. H. and subsequently taken to the Frank hospital, where we hear that he is progressing favorably.

What is all this talk about the sixteen gaiters? The non-plussed man and the fair headed lady?

Frank Defeats Blairmore

The league game between Blairmore and Frank on Wednesday night was an "exceptionally good one, and satisfied the biggest gathering of rooters for the season that at least the league teams had got settled down to real hockey, forgetting all about the cruel tricks which go to make the game but a black mark in the sporting arena. The game resulted in the score of 7 to 6 in favor of Frank.



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